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MEMORANDUM

To: School Health & Nutrition Program Sponsors

From: Mary Szafranski, Deputy Associate Superintendent

Arizona Department of Education, Health & Nutrition Services

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Date: December 15, 2005

RE: New Foods No Longer Considered Foods of Minimal Nutritional Value

This memo serves to inform you of recent modifications made to the Foods of Minimal Nutritional Value (FMNV) list from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), allowing new products to be sold in school food service areas during meal service.

The following companies have added specific products that are not considered to be FMNV.

- Perfetti Van Melli
- Masterfoods USA
- Au'some Snack Naturally Inc.
- Talking Rain Beverage Company

Please check with your provider, or see the complete list of foods <u>not</u> classified as FMNV, if you are interested in offering new products in your operation.

The following companies have changed some specific products' formulation in order for them to no longer be considered to be FMNV.

- Canada Pure
- General Mills

If you currently offer products from these manufactures, please check the complete list to see that you are offering only products that are not considered to be FMNV.

For the complete list of products, grouped by manufacturer, that are not considered Foods of Minimal Nutritional Value, please visit: www.ade.az.gov/health-safety/cnp/nslp/foodstomonitor/.

Although these products are not considered FMNV, this does not mean they are approved or endorsed by the USDA Food and Nutrition Services or the Arizona Department of Education. Further, with the development of House Bill 2544 and the Arizona Nutrition Standards (ANS), please be aware that some of the items on this list may not be allowed once ANS are implemented starting SY 2006 – 2007.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this memo, please contact your assigned School Health & Nutrition Program Specialist at 602-542-8700.